Anniversary of the A. O. U. W. was Observed by

LOCAL LODGES OF THE ORDER

LAST NIGHT IN THE OPERA HOUSE, THE PRINCIPAL FEA-TURE BEING THE ADDRESS BY PAST SUPREME MASTER WORK-MAN TATE, OF NEBRASKA-A FINE MUSICAL PROGRAMME RENDERED-A BANQUET TO THE DISTINGUISHED VISITOR AT THE A. O. U. W. TEMPLE.

The Ancient Order of United Workmen of this vicinity last night celebrated the twenty-ninth anniversary of the order by an elaborate entertainment consisting of a concert, supplemented by addresses by Grand Master Workman Sam R. Nuzum, and Past Supreme Master Workman J. G. Tate, of Ne brasks, at the Opera House, and a banquet at the A. O. U. W. temple.

The programme at the Opera House attracted an immense audience. stage was decked with appropriate insignia and lodge emblems. Officers the Wheeling lodges, together with prominent local and visiting Workmen,

prominent local and visiting Workmen, occupied seats on the stage. Mr. Frank Gruse prosided, and in a few remarks introduced Grand Master Workman Sam R. Nuzum, of Fairmont.

Mr. Nuzum is an enthusiast regarding the A. O. U. W., especially of the order's growth in West Virginia, and he devoted the principal part of his brief address to the flourishing condition of the A. O. U. W. in this state, incidentally setting forth the advantages of belonging to the organization.

The Philharmonic Quartet was then heard. Their playing of "The Craile Song" was exquisite, and rapturously applauded.

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Mrs. Flora Williams scored an additional success, and was compelled to how acknowledgements to her rendition of "Spring is Coming."

Mrs. Ella Dillon Martin recited very cleverly a humorous selection.

A voice quartette, consisting of Mrs. Flora Williams, Mrs. Peebles Tatum, Messrs. Hughes and Day, sang creditable, "The House That Jack Bullt."

The next number was the bass solo, "The Song of the Forge," by Mr. Hughes, rendered in his usual artistic manner.

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The audience was then treated to the pleasure of again hearing the Philharmonic Quartet.

Chairman Gruse then introduced Past Supreme Master Workman J. G. Tate, of Nebraska, who was tendered an evation.

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Mr. Tate prefaced his remarks by paying a hish compliment to the songs and music that had graced, the programme. It was not in his province, and the, to flatter, but he hadn't enjoyeald de, to flatter, but he hadn't enjoy-ed such a concert for many a day. From this strain he gracefully led off to his thème. Mr. Tate has good presence and is a finished speaker, eloquent, log-ical and forceful. The audience listen-ed to him intently, and every brilliant period met with loud applause. MR. TATE'S ADDRESS.

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"Twenty-nine years ago, in Meadville. Penna, thirteen men," most of them mechanics by employment, met and organized the first lodge of the Ancient Order of United Workmen. If some stranger had appeared before this handful of men and suggested to them that within a period of twenty-nine years \$5,000,000 would be required to discharge their financial obligations to the widows and orphans of the deceased brothers of this new order, and \$20,000,000 more to provide for the sick and unfortunate and the needy, they would have been appalled at their task and given up in despair. They only saw that something ought to be done to make provision against the time when mother and children should be left without husband and father to fight life's battles alone. They only knew that up to that time no fraternal organization had ever been engaged in such work. They realized not the dangers that threatened, or the hopes that beckoned them on: they saw only the need of to-day, but had an abiding faith that somehow and some way to-morrow would take care of itself.

"It seems almost incredible to believe that in twenty-nine years this little lodge has grown to an army of 370,000 strong. It seems almost incredible that from an inauspicious beginning should have grown an institution which has distributed to the beneficiaries of its deceased brothers \$80,000,000, and to its unfortunate living brethren \$20,000,000 more. Think of it, \$100,000,000! Who can comprehend it, and who can tell how much of sorrow has been assauged, how much of poverty has been prevented and how much of crime has been avoided by the expenditure of this vast sum of money at a time when sorrow and despair hung like a pall over the homes of our people?

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without a struggle. Many dangers have been encountered, many difficulties been encountered, many difficulties have been met, many enemies have been faced. But every danger has been avoided, every difficulty overcome, every enemy beaten down, and to-day the order stands without a stain upon its escutcheon and without a stain upon its financial knoor.

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"In the early history of the order our plan was a very simple one. Each member was required to deposit one dollar in the beneficiary fund when he joined the order, and whenever thereafter the death rate should demand it, an assessment of one dollar upon all members in good standing was levied, and out of the find so collected the death rate should demand it, an assessment of the find so collected the death of the find so collected the continued without imperfling the safety of the order, but enlarged and enlarging membership and increasing age gave rapid increase to the number of assessments necessary for the discharge or our financial obligations. In some instances these assessments became so heavy as to shut out from membership young men of our communities, and to drive those already in the order to seek membership in another, and for the time being cheaper institutions. After a careful survey of our past experience, it was seen that the old plan would not work, and unless we changed the plan defeat swift and sure awaited us. The supreme lodge took the matter under advisement, and with a courage born of their convictions, made radical changes in our method of doing business, and gave to the order what is now known as the classified assessment plan.

"This plan divides our membership into groups whose ages range from eighteen to fifty years, and change from the lower to the higher rates as members pass from the lower to the higher rates as members pass from the lower to the higher rates as members pass from the lower to the higher rates as members pass from the lower to the higher rates as

RESULT OF EXPERIENCE.

These rates are changed every five years until the age of fifty is reached, after which no future change is maie. The present plan is the result of the combined experience of old line insurance companies and fraterial organizations for the last two hundred years, and we have no reason to doubt its efficiency and safety. Persons who join our order are required to pay only the costs of the death lesses accruing in their own class, in other words, this

plan deals equitably with every member of the order, requiring him to bear his full share of the financial burdens, and offering him in return an equal share in the benefits of the institution.

"To be a member of this order means something more than stated financial payments and the receipt of financial benefits by the families of our brothers. It signifies all that is involved in that grand word fraternity. When sickness overtakes a member he is cared for and all his wants supplied by the lodge to which he belongs, and he is not altiowed to become suspended while sick and unable to protect himself. So well has this order done its work that in all the United States and Canada no Workman, Workman's widow or orphan child has ever been found an inmate of a poor souse.

"Three elements enter into this insti-

Three elements enter into this institution which commend it to thoughtful
men, fraternity, equality, safety. Who
at some time or other has not realized
the need of fraternity; felt the value of
some friend in zorrow and distress?
Who among us can hope to go through
life without some day needing some
gentle hand to minister, some kindly
voice to speak words of comfort? There
is no place in all the wide world where
this is oftener and more nobly done than
in the Ancient Order of United Workmen.

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"The great question which concerns us and which men are making concerning his order is this, is it safe; can I trust it? I point you to the history already made by the order. I recall with pride the noble service rendered in the iate "70's, when the yellow fever swept the south and left desolation and ruin in its path. Our order suffered a strain in its path. Our order suffered a strain which it will probably be our lot never to endure again, and yet we came out of the struggle victorious, having met every claim upon us and discharged every financial obligation.

"When it was seen that the old plan would no longer work, we frankly confessed our weakness and at once fortified ourselves, strengthened our foundations and put the order on an enduring basis."

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"The A. O. U. W. is perfectly safe.
Thousands and hundreds of thousands
of men have trusted it. Thousands of
widows and tens of thousands of orphaned children lavish their benedictions upon it. You can trust it, for it
will deal as faithfully with you as it has
deall with others in the twenty-nine
years of its history."

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After the exercises at the Opera House, adjournment was made to the A. O. U. W. temple, where quite a number of the wearers of the shield and anchor made merry around the banquet board until an early hour. Caterer Martin Thornton and prepared an elegant spread, and it wasn't passed by until a goodly portion of it was stowed away beneath the vesis of the banqueters.

Mr. Charles Brilles was toast master, and did the honors proud. After a few happy remarks he introduced as the first speaker, Grand Master Workman Sam R. Nuzum, who responded to the "West Virginia Jurisdiction." Applause greeted him as he rose to his feet, but Mr. Nuzum said it was foolish of his brothers to expect a speech. They had had too many opportunities to ascertain his defect in the oratorical line, and as for himself he had already spoken at the Opera House, and didn't think it fair to be victimized into a second speech. Laughter followed this sally, and in fact, it punctured.

feet in the oratorical line, and as for himself he had already spoken at the Opera House, and didn't think it fair to be victimized into a second speech. Laughter followed this sally, and in fact, it punctuated Mr. Nuzum's address throughout. He scored one for the A. O. U. W. when he said that at the time he might have learned the art of fine speech, his father died, leaving a wife and seven children, and that the father had put off setting insured from time to time, even at the time of his death having made an agreement with an agent to be insured two weeks hence. The fact had always impressed him with the benefits of life insurance. The true fraternal feeling rang throughout Mr. Nuzum's remarks. Before Toastmaster Brilles called on Congressman Dovener he got off some good ones at the latter's expense, and the eloquent representative of the First district prefaced his remarks by relating an amusing story. In the main, Captain Dovener's brief address was a eulogy of true ambilion. He linked the names of Washington, Lancoln and Upchurch, to show that the principles that inspired them were those seeking for the uplifting of humanity. He instanced the time when West Virginia contained but a few lodges, and under the furisdiction of Pensylvania, but the order has grown until the Little Mountain State developed into a full grown child. In paying tribute to to the A. O. U. W. Captain Dovener paid tribute also to West Virginia's resources.

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greatly enjoyed, was one of the good things Toastmaster Brilles let go, as introductory to the response, "The Grumbler," which was in the hands of County Clerk "Dick" Robertsgu. There was nothing he could find in the intellectual or gastronomic feasts the brothers had enjoyed to grumble at, and his eye could discover no "horrible example" in the Workmen to serve as a tople, hence he felt called upon to tell a few stories. "Dick" told them to the relish of all.

"The True Workman," was responded to by Fred H. Lange. Mr. Lange is a charter member of Reliance lodge, and he said he felt like making an apology as he thought of his theme, for he hadn't been able to attend his lodge every Tuesday night, as circumstances over which he had no control prevented him, but his spirit was with his brothers meeting nights, if not his person. He hoped to soon see the time when he could be able to join in the fraternal circle. Adherence to true principles, he said, at all times, was not an easy thing. There was a ring to Mr. Lange's remarks that brought his hearers to their feet, as he promised that all he could do for the A. O. U. W. In the future he stood prepared O. U. W. in the future he stood prepared

The toast assigned to Past Supreme Master Tate was, "The Future of Our Order." The hope of the order, he said, lies in the integrity to it, and the firm plans for the safety of its members and the protection of those dependent on the order. He scored organizations which seek to defraud, and urged that the state take measures to abolish them. The A.O. U. W., gives hope of the future by taking care of to-day, and the only way to protect for to-morrow is to defend to-day. Thus, orders which are brought into competition with the A.O. U. W., and which ofter all kinds of thuements," a certain number of assessments." "a certain number of assessments "cheap rates," "returning at the du-ever paid in by the deceased brother. these orders ensure no perpetuity an "get there" only by beating th widow and orphan. The A. O. U was not that kind of an order.

# LEEP SKIN-TORTURED

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principles of fraternity and protection are growing, and all the new orders are based upon the Workmen. The A.O. U. W. is the king in the fraternal circle, and all insurance of manizations would weep at its fall. There is no danger in the future, for the A.O. U. W. prepares for every emergency, as in instance of which he intimated sightly as to the classified assessment. Mr. Tate closed with a brilliant peroration of the permanency of the order.

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Mr. Frank Stanton made a neat response to "Red Tape." Mr. W. O. Mc-Clusky was introduced as the "father of the West Virginia jurisdiction." and gave one of his characteristic addresses, and those who have heard him speak, know what they're like. Dr. Aschmann followed with a rattling apple butter story, and Mr. Frank Gruse was the closing speaker.

Dismissal came with a song, in which all joined heartily. Thus ended one of the best celebrations ever held by a fraternal organization in this city.

# THIS IS CHEAP COAL.

Gas Board Gives Coal Contract to Boyle, of Finicyville, at a Remarkably Low Price, Which Seems to be Thirty-one Cents Per Ton Below the Cost of Pro-duction-Henry Floersheim on the War

Last night a meeting of the city board of gas trustees was held at the gas office in the city building. Bids for furnishing the gas works with coal for the ensuing year were submitted by Henry Floer sheim, of Finleyville, Pa., and C. E. Boyle, of Finleyville, Pa. That of the latter was accepted and the contract awarded. He agrees to furnish clean coal at \$1.09 per ton and "three-fourth" coal at \$1.09 per ton, delivered in the Hempfield yards in this city, and the city gas board's scale weight to be used. This is considered a remarkably low price. With \$5 cents a ton for mining and 4.0 With 65 cents a ton for mining and 40 cents for freight, there is little margin of profit left for the operator. Floer-shelm's bic was a little higher than

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The figures of Mr. Floersheim's bid were not made public, but it was no secret that they were considerably higher than Boyle's. After the gas board meeting last night, Mr. Floersheim was seen by an Intelligencer reporter and talked of the result of the board's meeting. Naturelly, the big Finleyville operator was badle cut up over his failure to again carry off the Wheeling gas coal contract, after having had it for the past fifteen years.

Mr. Floersheim does not understand by what manner of business reasoning Royle was able to make his bid of \$1.09 for lump and \$1.04 for "three-quarters" coal. The bare cost of mining, sixty-five cents per ton, and the freight from Finleyville to Wheeling, forty cents, comes within four cents of the amount of his bid, and there are incidentals that make it certain Boyle will lose thirty-one cents on every ton of coal he furnishes the gas board according to Mr. Floersheim's reasoning, and it appears to be reasonable. Here is Mr. Floersheim's reasoning, and it appears to be reasonable. Here is Mr. Floersheim's table, showing the cost of a ton of jump coal at Finleyville.

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Items. Cost.
Mining rate. 3 66
Freight, Finleyville to Wheeling ... 4
Hauling coal out of mine, etc. 55
Royalty on coal land, per ton 11
Other expenses, offices, shipping, tunnelling, etc. 15 

Cost per ton delivered in Wheeling ... \$1.40 Cost per ton delivered in Wheeling... \$1.40 Mr. Floersheim says he cannot understand how it is that an operator can sell coal for \$1.69 that costs him \$1.40, and says the city gas board would do well to secure from Mr. Boyle a bond that will be ample sweit for any failure to carry the matter before the coal operators' association, of which, by the way, Mr. Boyle has been the secretary.

# AMUSEMENTS.

The word spectacular is now being as much abused theatrically, says Charles H. Yale, proprietor and manager of the 'Devil's Auction" and "Twelve Temptations," as was a few years ago the now much worn title extravaganza, which was prefixed to every cross road "limb" troupe that could get enough cash together to assail the towns closest to their starting point. A few years ago the country was surfeited with a number of country was surfeited with a number of small variety troupes whose programme consisted of the usual female first part, cheap oilo and bread afterplece; by common consent it seems the title of burnlesque was quietly dropped and the same performance became as extravaganata, though the use of the word is in this case equally as myrifying. It seems, however, that another change was needed, so now the same identical performance has become, for loss of a better title, a spectagle."

spectacle."

That the appropriators of this title are That the appropriate of this meaning can be easily proved by a glance at their performance, which is absolutely devoid of one detail that would give it the right to use such a tille, and simply misleads a liberal public, for without a spectacular effect of any kind, with a few dingy costumes and the inevitable "march of the amazons" they boldly advertise the latest speciacle. Therefore, between spectacular "limb" troupes; speciacular comic operas, and living pictures, and spectacular mela-dramas, the real producer of spectacle, who invests a small fortune in one production, has got to assert himself and to the point. This beautiful spectacular play will be given at the Opera House this svening.

# "THE ROYAL BOX."

Miss Grace Filkins, who will appear in the support of Mr. Charles Cogulan, in "The Royal Box," at the Opera House next Saturday evening, is a "society actress" well known in New York, Boston, Philadelphia and Washington. She received a great reception on the first presentation of this new play at the Columbia Theatre, in Washington, last Monday evening. Miss Filkins, is a remarkably beaudful young woman of great talent. In private life she is the wife of Lleutenant Commander Marix, of the United States Navy. She is very popular in the official and social circles of Washington, where she is greatly admired for her many estimable qualities, both as a lady and as an artist.

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PROJECTOSCOPE TO-NIGHT.

At the Grand Opera House to-night Edison's Projectoscope company open an engagement of four nights, and Saturday matinee, and the advance sale of scats indicate a large audience for the opening night. The Projectoscope has pleased large audiences, and received complimentary press notices wherever it has been exhibited. Half a hundred views are thrown upon canvass in a lifelike manner, including two rounds of the famous championship battle in Carson City. The Projectoscope pictures do not constantly flicker, as do the veriscope pictures. The limitated songs to be rendered by members of the company are said to be a genuine novelty, which should please also patrons of the theatre.

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# GREAT ACTIVITY

Has Been Brought About in the Elk Fork Field by

FEARLESS OIL COMPANY'S WELL

ON THE GORRELL LOT, WHICH IS NOW PRODUCING AT THE RATE OF SIXTY BARRELS AN HOUR. SEVERAL IMPORTANT TEST WELLS ARE EXPECTED IN THE LATTER PART OF THE WEEK. THE SOUTHWEST EXTENSION OF THE ELK FORK FIELD.

.The Southwest extension of the Elk

Fork pool is coming to the front again, The Fearless Oil Company's No. 2 on the Agnes Gorrell lease is good for about sixty barrels an hour at this time. This well is located a little to the southeast of the Hill lease which the first wells in that part of the field were drilled, and it makes things that section look gilt-edged. outlook for that section of the field during the next thirty days is very rosy. The coming in of the Gorrell well such a large producer has opened up a large amount of territory which will be drilled immediately. From present indica-

ed immediately. From present indica-tions it looks as though the southwest extension of the Elk Fork pool will ri-val the old pool in production. This week will see some very import-ant wells completed in that part of the field. The first of these wells will be that of the Fisher Oil Company on the Henthorn lease, located to the south. This well should have been in some days ago, but on account of a bad fishthat of the Fisher Oil Company on the Henthorn lease, located to the south. This well should have been in some days ago, but on account of a bad fishing job it has been delayed. The South Penn Oil Company's well on the Isaac Folger lease should reach the sand the Inter part of the week. This well is located about 2,000 feet south of the Hill farm and fully 1,000 feet in advance of developments. The well being drilled by Cobb & Glenn, on the Joseph Myers farm is directly between the Folger and the Farrell and Gorrell leases, and, judging from the locations of the two wells, they should come in good producers. The Myers'well is also due in the sand within a week. All of the wells mentioned are important tests of that part of the field.

In the yicinity of the Fearless Oil Company's well on the Agnes Gorrell lease, there are fully a dozen new wells being started. The Henry & Macdonald Company is starting two wells and the Fearless three or four wells, while on the adjoining farms several wells are being started.

The Hill Oil Company is mapping out a large amount, of work on its lease on the Hill farm. So far, fourteen locations have been made on it, and the rigs for several of the wells are being started. Nos. S, 9 and 10 rigs are building, and the timbers for Nos. 13 and 11 are being put on the ground. This company has made a location to offset the Fisher well on the Henthorn, and as soon as that well has been completed they will start this well, No. 7 ob this farm, which is located just across the line from Treat & Crawford's big well on the Farrell, should be due in the sand Sunday, or Monday, and as it is only about two hundred feet from that well, should come in a good producer.

The territory to the south and west of production in this part of the Elk Fork territory has every appearance of being first class. Territory is being taken up as rapidly as possible, and good heavy bonuses are being paid.

Pleasants county is coming to the front in oil development and there has been quite a shallow sand pool opened

# THE RIVER.

YESTERDAY'S DEPARTURES Cincinnati... KEYSTONE STATE, § a. m. Parkersburg ARGAND, 11 a. m. Matamoras, LENY NGTON, 11 a. m. Sistersville... RUTH TON, 11 a. m. BOATS LEAVING TO-DAY.

BOATS LEAVING TO-MORROW BOATS LEAVING TO-MORROW,
Pittsburgh., H. K. REDFORD, 6:39 s., m.
Cincinnatt... QUEEN CITY, 8 a. m.
Parkersburg ARGAND, 11 a. m.
Matamoras., LEXINGTON, 11 a. m.
Sistersville. RUTH, 2:30 p. m.
Clarington., LERCY, 3:30 p. m.
Pittsburgh., LORENA, 2 a. m.
Steubenville. T. M. BAYNE, 3:30 p. m.

# Along the Landing.

The marks at 6 p. m. showed 12 feet 9 inches and slowly falling. Weather, clear and cold.

The Keystone State departed at 8 a. m. for Cincinnatt, with good offerings from the unpur giver The Reystone Sotte good offerings from the upper river.

The Queen City is to-morrow's Cincin-nati packet, departing at 8 a.m.

THE COAL FLEET.

The coal fleet rear guard went down yesterday, and several boats with empties passed up. Yesterday's record:
Down with coal—John A. Wood, 7 a.
m.; Alice Brown, James Moren, noon.
Up with empties—Pacific No. 2, 1 p. m.;
Boaz, Percey Kelsey, 4 p. in.

River Telegrams WARREN-River 3 feet 6 inches, Fair

MORGANTOWN-River 8 feet 2 in-

MORGANTOWN—River 8 feet 2 Inches and falling. Clear and cold.
BROWNSVILLE—River 7 feet 3 inches and falling.
OIL CITY—River 3 feet 6 inches and falling. Clear and cold.
GREENSBORO—River 8 feet 10 inches and falling. Fair and cool. Adam Jacobs and Nellie Hudson down Wednesday. James G. Blaine and Florence Belle up.

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STEUBENVILLE—River 12 feet 2 inches and falling, Clear and cold, Passa-ed up: B. E. Wood, Smoky City, Belle McGowan, Josh Cook, Pacfile No. 2, Passed down: Sam Brown, Alice Brown, James Moran, Catherine Davis, Enter-prise, Tornado, Charles Brown, Mariner and Reseue.

and Researe.

PARKERSBURG—Ohio river 14 feet 5 inches and rising. Cloudy and cold. Passed down: Keystone State and Ben Hur. Dufe down: Kanawna. Down with tows: W. W. O'Nell, I. N. Bunton No. 2. Nellie Walton and Magrie. Up: Valley Belle and Convoy. The Little Kanawha is rising. All the locals are on time.

PITTEBURGH—River 9.1 feet and failing at the dam. Clear and cold. POINT PLEASANT—River 9.2 feet and rising. Clear.

and rising, Clear, CINCINNATI-River 10.5 feet and

CINCINNATI-RIVEY 10.5 feet and failing. Clear.
LOUISVILLIS-River failing; 6 feet 2 inches on canal; 4 feet on fails; 10 feet 4 inches below locks. Clear and cold.
EVANSVILLIS-River 2.3 feet and rising. Fair and cold.
MEMPHIS-River 2.8 feet and stationary. Clear and cold.
CAIRO-River 7.1 feet and rising. Cloudy and cold.

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#### THE RAILROADS.

To-day is the day set by the interstate commerce commission for hearing the arguments of the big railway officials regarding the failure of their comequipping cars with automatic couplers and air-brakes. The companies had un-til November 15 to file their reasons for delay, but these notices to-day will be supplemented with legal arguments and extended causes. The railways bases supplemented with legal arguments and extended causes. The railways began equipping their cars with couplers and air-brakes before the commission set to work to make the equipment in question compulatory. The law says that the work must all be done by January 1 next. The law cannot, under any circumstances, it is claimed, be compiled with by 10 per cent of the roads in the United States. It is generally thought, says the Cincinnati Commercial-Tribune, that the commission will agree to an extension of several months, and it may be that steps will be taken to declare the action of Congress unconstitutional.

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Railway managers declare that, while they are willing to equip their cars with the necessary devices as fast as possi-ble, the law works a hardship. There are thousands of freight cars not worth the new equipment, which is somewhat expensive, but these old cars can be utilized on branch lines for short hauls. Under the law, if enforced, they must be equipped or not used under any cir-cumstances.

THE NEW TRUNK LINE,

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Speaking of the rumored new trunk line, the Cleveland Leader has the following:

Although John Jacob Astor has planned the conversion of the Findlay, Fort Wayne & Western railway into it trunk line, it is a perversion of the truth to connect the Nickel Plate railroad with the enterprise. The small property which Astor now controls is, in his opinion, the nucleus of a large system extending from Chicago eastward. It is possible that he has made an agreement which will enlarge the road, but nothing definite is known regarding his plans except that he has aspirations to become a railroad magnate. The formation of the important trunk line is said to be contingent upon the coalescence of other properties.

Admittedly, it is the aim of Astor to secure a Chicago entrance and termainals, but as his road would in this event be a competitor of the Nickel Plate railroad, that company is not likely to grant the use of its tracks. The double-tracking of the Nickel Plate road between Cleveland and Chicago is not being considered.

In its present condition the Astor property is not on great importance. Its mileage is small and the territory through which it extends does not guarantee the payment of large dividends. The company owns the piece of track reaching from the junction of the Big Four road at Findlay, in this state, to Fort Wayne, Ind., and uses the Pennsylvania Company's terminals at that point. Altogether the company owns eighty-two miles of track. The gross earnings for the year ending June 30 were \$18,550; net earnings for the same period \$991.

EAST BOUND SHIPMENTS.

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CHICAGO, Nov. 29.—East-bound freight shipments for the week ending November 25 amounted to 44,661 tons, against 47,901 the previous week and 61,866 last year. Divided among the different roads as follows: Michigan Central, 6,834 tons; Pan Handle, 6,356; Wabash, 4,045; Lake Shore, 5,273; Fort Wayne, 6,149; Baltimore & Ohio, 2,706; Grand Trunk, 3,182; Nickel Plate, 3,509; Erie, 3,312; Big Four, 3,065. The lake lines carried 106,682 tons.

Prominent Fairmont Citizen Dead. pecial Dispatch to the Intelligencer. FAIRMONT, W. Va., Nov. 30.—Will-

fam Ridgely died at his residence in West Fairmont, last evening, aged sev West Fairmont, last evening, aged seventy-three years. He was born in Cumberland, Maryland, and moved here in 1861, and for a number of years was among the most prominent merchants of this place. In recent years he has dealt largely in real estate, and made a great deal of money. The funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon.

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